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ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 1917.

PRICE ONE CENT.

## TO SECURE MORE LABOR

Department of Labor in Washington to Hold Meeting in This City on Friday Evening.

The Department of Labor in Washington has called a meeting of the men and women of this city to be held at the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce on Friday evening of this week at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of forming a co-operative organization in Alexandria for the United States employment service.

The movement here is a growth of the steps taken recently in regard to listing vacant houses in this city for men who will be employed in the plant of the Washington Steel and Ordnance Company at Giesboro Point and neighboring government plants.

Representatives of the department in Washington informed the Gazette today that an organization of the Men's Federated Council of Employment is contemplated and steps in connection with the matter will be taken at the meeting that is to be held in this city.

A similar council for women is to be organized, according to plans of the Department, for those of that sex willing to co-operate with the work of the United States employment service.

Commissioner General Anthony Caminetti, chief of the Bureau of Immigration, will make the principal address at the meeting Friday night, and others who will speak are Mr. Klein and Mrs. Hopkins, of the employment service, and E. A. Lyette, who were present at a meeting held in connection with the finding of living quarters for workmen in the Chamber of Commerce rooms a few days ago.

In addition to clubs and fraternal organizations, church organizations have been invited to attend the meeting and it is hoped that large delegations from the different local organizations will be present.

## SWAP LABOR WITH CANADA.

Americans to Harvest Grain as Canadians Dig Potatoes.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 15.—Twenty thousand American harvest hands will help save Canada's grain crop and nearly half as many Canadians will dig potatoes in Maine, under an arrangement reached yesterday by representatives of the American and Canadian Governments. Immigration regulations will be suspended by both countries to permit the labor to cross and recross the border.

American harvest labor, working northward with the grain season, heretofore has stopped at the Canadian line and scattered to other pursuits throughout the United States. The agreement made today contemplates their crossing to take the places of thousands of Canadian workers who this year cannot go to the western grain fields because of the labor shortage throughout the Dominion.

The wheat fields of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta begin to ripen just after the crop in the northern tier of States is gathered. Canada is counting this year on a 300,000,000 bushel yield of wheat, the second largest the country has grown.

Maine's potato crop is about ready for digging and there is not enough available labor in New England to take care of the yield. Canadian labor employed for a short time will enable Maine farmers to save all of their crop.

## DEATH FOR TWO IN AUTO

Train Hits Their Car, and One Expires and Other is Dying.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Aug. 15.—Isadore Cohen, salesman for a wholesale clothing house of this city, was instantly killed and Thomas Foley probably fatally injured when their automobile was struck by a Lehigh Valley passenger train near Pittston at 6 o'clock yesterday.

Foley is in a critical condition in the Pittston hospital, and slight hopes are held for his recovery.

Cohen was State President of the Young Judean Society of Pennsylvania.

## ONCE IN A WHILE

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## ANNAPOLIS MYSTERY

Doctors Operate on Lottie Brandon's Body Late Last Night—Positive That a Man Committed Crime.

That an assault was attempted upon Mrs. Lottie May Brandon, either before or after her death, is shown by unofficial reports of doctors and detectives working on the case who last night held an autopsy over the exhumed body of the girl-wife in the basement of the Emergency Hospital, in Washington. In this thorough examination, which included an operation upon the dead woman's body, the investigators proved beyond a doubt, it is said, that the slayer of Mrs. Brandon was a man.

This overthrows the prevalent idea that a woman was the criminal and will probably result in the exoneration of Mrs. King, who was strongly suspected of complicity in the crime.

Veiled reports from Baltimore late last night indicated that John Snowden, colored, who was arrested Monday, as a suspect, had made a partial confession.

Baltimore detectives declined to state positively that Snowden is guilty of the murder.

That the slayer of the woman was a man is also shown by an exclusive report received last night from Dr. Walton Hopkins, the Annapolis doctor.

Dr. Hopkins says that his early examination proved that Mrs. Brandon was criminally attacked and that an attempt was made to assault her.

Sheriff Sullivan appears confident that the negro is Mrs. Brandon's slayer. He described graphically the movements of Snowden, as told by the negro women who lived across the street, when he came out of the house. The women say that he looked nervously up and down the street before starting for the corner.

The autopsy was made in the Emergency Hospital. The body was taken there late in the evening. The inquest was finished by 10 o'clock, when the body of the woman was again taken to the Sardo undertaking parlors. It is to be re-interred today in Glenwood Cemetery.

## GUARDSMEN GOING TO FRANCE

Troops Will Be Selected From 26 States, Including Virginia, and District of Columbia.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 15.—Plans for sending the first National Guard troops to France have been perfected by the War Department with the organization of a division which will include troops from 26 States and the District of Columbia.

The States from which the National Guard troops are to be assembled are Louisiana, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, New York, Ohio, Georgia, Alabama, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, Maryland, South Carolina, California, Missouri, Virginia, North Carolina, Kansas, Texas, Michigan, New Jersey, Tennessee, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Colorado, Oregon. The others come from the District of Columbia.

## POISON IN WORKERS' SPRING.

Attempt to Kill Reading Railway Men at Bridgeport Foiled.

Bridgeport, Pa., Aug. 15.—A can of Paris green was found in the spring used by hundreds of railroaders daily for drinking purposes. That it was a deliberate attempt on the part of some one to poison the employees of the Reading Railway they have no doubt.

The can was at the bottom of the spring and was weighted down. It was discovered by a railroader, who went to the spring for a drink, and noticed a greenish coloring instead of the usual clear and sparkling appearance of the water.

## Indict 105 Rioters.

Belleville, Ill., Aug. 15.—Sixty-eight indictments against 105 persons, the charges including murder, arson, conspiracy, rioting, and assault to murder, were returned by the grand jury here today, which has been investigating the race riots in East St. Louis, July 1 to 3.

## Notice.

Having disposed of the Mount Vernon Automobile business I hereby desire to state that all bills due by me will be paid upon presentation, and all owing me are requested to call and make prompt settlement.

194-2t T. N. EDDY.

## Alexandria City and Suburbs

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Warfield left yesterday for Atlantic City.

Dr. Vivian P. Berry has returned from a visit to friends and relatives in King George County.

Mrs. L. C. Dankleman, who has been visiting friends in Baltimore, has returned to her home in this city.

Mrs. J. Rhett Motte of Charleston, South Carolina, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. L. C. Hill, in the Virginia Apartments.

The committee having in charge the garden contest of the Chamber of Commerce began the second inspection of gardens entered in the contest today.

Miss Eva E. Cowling, who has been the guest of her brother, Rev. Edward W. Cowling, at Eastville, Va., for several weeks past, has returned to her home on Duke street.

Misses Mary McDermott, of 1113 Prince street, and Naomi Schwarznann, of 218 north Alfred street, left Sunday morning for a week's visit in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Rev. E. V. Regester, pastor of the M. E. church, Mrs. Regester, and grandson, Eldridge R. Duffey, have gone to Virginia Beach, where they will spend the remainder of the summer.

Attorney H. Noel Garner was removed last night, following an acute attack of appendicitis, to the Providence Hospital in Washington, where he was operated upon. He was operated upon by Dr. Martell and is reported as having come through the operation in good condition.

Sixteen is the total number of Alexandrians that have received notification to date, to appear at Fort Myer for training with the second class of reserve officers. The majority of these as stated in Monday's Gazette, which gave the names of those notified then, have been notified to appear August 23. The names of the sixteen notified to date are: George W. Brent, J. Randall Caton, Jr., William B. Champion, Philip C. Crilly, P. Dawson, C. D. Hubbard, D. S. Miller, Walter L. Nails, D. W. Neff, L. T. Preston, A. B. Proise, A. Harmon Roberts, Hunt Russell, Cecil K. Sherman, G. R. Simpson, and Wilkinson Stark. In the list from the county are included the names of M. B. DePutron, East Falls Church; C. T. Jesse, Rosslyn; M. E. Jones and W. P. Vandoren, Cherrydale; S. R. Parker and J. H. Scull, Fort Myer; N. Williams, Clarendon. From Fairfax county are R. R. Farr and Chapman Fletcher.

## Pins Medal on King Emmanuel.

Paris, Aug. 15.—President Poincaré, who is visiting the Italian front as the guest of King Emmanuel, of Italy, has decorated the King with the military medal and the war cross. The President is accompanied by Leon Bourjoise, the minister of labor, and Camille Barrère, the French ambassador at Rome. At the front the party was joined by Paola Boselli, the Italian premier, and Baron Sonnini, the foreign minister, and Marquis Slavago Raggi, the Italian ambassador at Paris.

## Wounded by His Brother.

Fredericksburg, Va., Aug. 15.—Joseph W. McWhirt, of Spotsylvania county, is in a serious condition as a result of wounds received in an altercation with his brother, Hank McWhirt. The two men are said to have been drinking cider, and while discussing the settlement of an old account, quarreled, the wounds having been made with a knife. Hank McWhirt has been arrested and sent on to the grand jury, giving bond for \$500 for his appearance.

## Notice of Sale.

On account of ill health I have sold the Mount Vernon Automobile business, 115-121 north St. Asaph street, to P. E. Boyd and Wm. E. Moore. I wish to thank our customers and the public for their patronage and trust the same good will may be shown my successors.

194-2t T. N. EDDY.

R. O. Robbins, returned last night from Atlantic City, where he spent his vacation.

N. J. Cullen, employed as a passenger engineer on the Southern Railway, who was well known in this city, died this morning at half-past five o'clock at Mitchell, Va. The deceased was 52 years old and is survived by a wife and five children. The funeral will be held Friday at 10:30 a. m., at Culpeper, Va.

The entertainment to be given at the Lyceum tomorrow evening will be furnished by the Knights of Columbus dramatic club of Washington and local talent of this city. A pleasing program has been arranged for the enjoyment of the soldiers and sailors in the vicinity and also the public, all of whom are cordially invited to attend.

Charles H. Bittle, a mail carrier at the city post office, died early this morning at the Alexandria hospital, where he had been under treatment. The deceased lived at 711 Orinoco street and is survived by several brothers and sister, besides his parents. He was about thirty-three years old. Mr. Bittle had been employed at the city post office since April 1, 1913, and January 1, 1916, was appointed a regular carrier and assigned to the Del Ray route.

The flag raising to be held on Labor Day, Monday, September 3d, at Alexandria High school building promises to be an interesting event. It will be under the auspices of Alexandria Council, No. 5, Order of Fraternal Americans, and will occur at 3:30 in the afternoon. Other organizations which it is said will participate are Osceola and Seminole Tribes of Red Men, Oriental Lodge, Knights of Pythias, James W. Jackson and Belle Haven Councils, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and the Scottish Rite Masons. The committee appointed to arrange the parade which will be held is Roger C. Sullivan, G. W. Pettit and W. A. Harding. John H. Trimyer is chairman of the general committee of arrangements and J. R. Mansfield, secretary. The parade will be made previous to holding the exercises, starting at 3 o'clock from the corner of King and Washington streets and will be led by the American Indian Guard band. It is hoped that representatives Heflin and Montague will be able to be present and make addresses. According to present plans Mr. Heflin will speak when the United States flag is raised and Mr. Montague will give his address upon the raising of the state flag of Virginia. The flags will be swung to the breeze from the tops of two iron flagstaves fifty feet high which will be located on the grounds in front of the High school building.

Commonwealth's Attorney Samuel G. Brent, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. D. M. French, and grandson, David French, left this afternoon for Harpers Ferry, W. Va. They will be gone ten days.

Several hundred people were attracted to the corner of King and Washington street last evening to listen to the concert given by the American Indian Guard band. The program comprised many of the popular airs of the day as well as "Dixie" and other delightful old Southern melodies, and, of course, the "Star Spangled Banner" and other patriotic numbers, which brought forth cheers from all sides. The band, which included some 25 men, acquitted itself with much credit and the concert was greatly appreciated. The boys have worked hard and spent much time to perfect themselves in music and have purchased and are certainly entitled to encouragement and support of the people whenever it is possible to aid them. It is hoped a concert may be given every week regularly through the remainder of the summer.

## V. M. I. HONORED.

War Department Puts it in "Distinguished" List for Excellent Military Standing.

Washington, Aug. 15.—Educational institutions rated as "distinguished colleges," or honor schools for the year 1917 because of the excellent military standing of their student battalions, were announced yesterday by the War Department. The list of distinguished colleges includes the Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Va.; the Citadel, Charleston, S. C.; University of Georgia, Athens, Ga.

## Race Against Vardaman.

Mobile, Ala., Aug. 15.—E. F. Noel has entered the Mississippi senatorial race against Senator J. K. Vardaman. He makes the third candidate and a hot fight is expected.

Notice of Excursion. The fourth annual excursion of the Loyal Order of Moose, No. 1076, of Alexandria, to Marshall Hall, will be held on Thursday, Aug. 16, 1917. Included in the program will be a baseball game between Alexandria and Washington lodges at 3:30 p. m., several amusing races and amusements for children, and a prize waltz in the evening. A good time is assured all. Plenty of ice. The steamers Charles Macalester will leave Cameron street wharf at 10:30 a. m., and 3 and 7 o'clock p. m. Tickets, adults, 25 cents; children 15 cents.

## Notice.

There will be a called communication of Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22, A. F. and A. M., Wednesday evening, August 15, 1917, at 8 o'clock, to confer the M. M. degree. Let there be a good attendance. By order of the Worshipful Master.

A. G. UHLER, Sec'y. 193-2t.

Mrs. James Bayne and sons, Whitcomb and Lewis, are spending a few weeks at Linden, Va.

The appointment of John Schafe as a substitute carrier at the city post office has been announced.

Miss Hilda Hohman of Spencer, N. C., is the guest of Miss Loretta Curtin, on south Columbus street.

J. W. Reeves and family left yesterday to visit Mr. Reeves' mother, at McCormick, South Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Robinson Moncre are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a daughter, born today.

Mrs. Lena R. Ross, of this city, was taken to the Alexandria hospital today to have an operation performed.

Miss Margaret Mundo, of Boston, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McGowan, at their home on south Royal street.

Mrs. Harry Wade, who was taken quite ill while visiting in Richmond, has returned to her home in this city where she is confined to her bed.

There will be no drill held by Company A of the Alexandria Home Guards tonight. The next drill will occur on Wednesday night of next week, Aug. 22d.

Lieutenant James Amos Willis, who was the week end guest of Major and Mrs. James A. Long, was thrown from his motorcycle while returning to Fort Myer yesterday and badly hurt.

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## THE AUTOMOBILE LAWS

Statement Concerning the Maryland Law of Interest to Owners of Automobiles in Virginia.

Certain reports having been made relative to the requirements of the state of Maryland which were more or less perplexing to owners of automobiles in Virginia who have occasion to drive their machines through the former state, Secretary G. Washington Lewis, of the Alexandria Automobile Club, wrote to Mr. E. Austin Baughman, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, of Maryland, to ascertain the facts. His letter follows:

My Dear Sir: Will you kindly advise me of the requirements of the new law of your state pertaining to headlights on automobiles? I am told that a car equipped with the ordinary light in common use, cannot go into your state, even in the day time. Kindly let me know if this is correct and if a non-resident motorist merely passing through the state would be held accountable if his lights do not comply with the requirements of the law. Will greatly appreciate early advice from you.

Very truly yours,

G. Washington Lewis, Sec'y.

Mr. Baughman replied as here given:

"Beg to advise that we have reciprocity with Virginia, and if you comply with the light laws of the state of Virginia you will not be molested in this state. There is no truth in the statement that a motorist will be molested about lights in the day time. He does not have to have any lamps at all during the day time. Am enclosing copy of the new light law."

## AN IMPOSITION.

State Eggs and Rancid Butter Often Disposed of in Market on Saturdays.

The Legislature of Virginia has been busy during the past few years in enacting what are known as pure food laws, while the Pure Food Department of the State sends out agents into Virginia cities, who invade groceries, restaurants, lunch houses, etc., for the purpose of examining food disposed of in such places and bringing about satisfactory conditions. Alexandria is often visited by Julius Graham, of Loudoun county, who is in the employ of this department.

But there are procedures in our own midst, in our market enclosure, which should be remedied at once. We refer to parties who come here on Saturdays for the purpose of selling products, especially those who bring what they allege to be "fresh" butter and eggs. These commodities have long been at prohibitive prices to many, and when some people have the nerve to expend from 40 to 45 cents a pound for the former and an equal sum for a dozen of the latter they naturally want what they pay for. But this is not always the case, as the butter at times, is almost unfit for culinary purposes, while embryonic chickens are occasionally found in eggs. People who dispose of such articles, knowing their condition, are obtaining money under false pretenses. The new market master and his assistant should pounce down upon such vendors without notice. Such products should be tested, and unwholesome eggs or butter ordered off the benches at once.

## FIRST ENGINE FOR FRANCE

Baldwins Have Two Samples of the 250 to be Finished.

Chester, Pa., Aug. 15.—One of the 250 locomotives ordered by the National Government from the Baldwin Locomotive Works has been completed at the Eddystone plant and shipped to France. Another engine of the same order was sent under its own steam yesterday to Washington for inspection by Government official there.

The rest of the order for the United States Government is being rushed as fast as men and machinery can build these locomotives, and the capacity of the plant is being utilized to the exclusion of all other orders.

WANTED—An assistant bookkeeper. State experience and salary expected. Address Business, care Alexandria Gazette. 189-6t.

## KEEP CHILDREN HOME

State Board of Health Sends out Warning Concerning Infantile Paralysis.

Richmond, Aug. 15.—To reduce the dangers of a wide-spread outbreak of infantile paralysis, the state board of health of Virginia today issued a public warning to parents against permitting children under 12 years of age to travel promiscuously in the state. No quarantine has yet been declared nor is the warning to parents a formal sanitary order from the state authorities, but it is made as urgent as the board of health can without recourse to formal quarantine.

The board explains that infantile paralysis is probably spread by carriers, some adult and some juvenile, some showing evidences of the disease and some, to all appearances, in normal health. As there is no known way of identifying all carriers, the safest course is to reduce contact to a minimum and to promote sanitation. So urges the board, in the light of New York's experience last year.

"The board most strongly urges parents not to travel with children under 12 years during the present outbreak of infantile paralysis," says the published warning. "There is no telling when such a child may, unconsciously, be exposed to a carrier and there is no sense in taking chances. One of the most pathetic cases reported this summer was that of a young mother who took her child to the mountains for its health—only to find, within a very short time, that the child in some manner had been exposed to infantile paralysis and had contracted the disease."

"The board believes that the greatest security that can be given most Virginia children is to keep them at home, amid sanitary surroundings. Every effort should be made to keep the environment of the child sanitary and special pains should be taken to reduce the fly-noise and to dispose of all filth in a safe and sensible manner."

Parties and picnics attended by children are to be discouraged at this time and, in the mountain and valley districts, should not be permitted by the local authorities. The presence of one carrier at a picnic may mean the spread of the disease from a dozen new centers, everyone of them potentially dangerous.

In adding this warning to the steps already taken to combat the spread of infantile paralysis, the board is hopeful that the intelligent co-operation of parents will make further action unnecessary. At the same time, the board is in daily communication with its representatives in the valley of Virginia and with the members of the local boards of health. If an extension of the infected area is thought probable by the board, quarantine lines may be fixed and more drastic action taken.

## Berliners "Frosty" to Concert.

London, Aug. 15.—It is reported in an Exchange Telegraphed dispatch from Amsterdam that in response to a command of Emperor William the famous band of Yoblock Trumpeters played in the tower of the Berlin town hall in celebration of the victories in Galicia.

The newspapers say the attendance was small, and that the concert probably will be the last of the kind during the war.

## THEY KEEP HUSTLING.

Some people live in the past, others live in the future, but Gazette Want Ads keep hustling right along irrespective of either past or future—and that's one reason why they are invariably successful. With a newspaper which gives the people the news while it is news, they very naturally have the benefit of a circulation which carries them into practically every home and business place in Alexandria and surrounding towns.

Experience has proved that it pays to use and to read the Gazette Want Ads.

## Death Notice.

Died, at Mitchell, Va., at 5:30 a. m., Aug. 15, 1917, N. J. Cullen, engineer on the Southern Railroad. Funeral will be held at 10:30 a. m., Friday, August 17, at Culpeper, Va.